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**REQUEST TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PCT SEARCH REPORT REFERENCES**

Sir:

This paper is not an IDS, it is a submission to obtain correction of the examiner's oversight in not acknowledging the 1449 submitted on July 9, 2004, a copy of which is enclosed.

The prior art listed on the attached form 1449 is prior art which, according to form PCT/DO/DE/903, the 371 Acceptance Letter which was generated by the PTO, **has already been received by the PTO**.

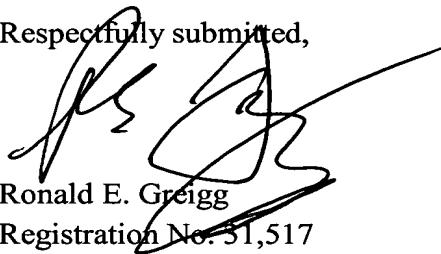
This prior art was cited as part of a PCT Search Report for the International Application which has now matured into this US application under 35 USC 371.

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Accordingly, this prior art should have come to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office and the examiner by way of the PCT file **as part of the Office's standard processing of PCT applications into US national applications under 35 USC 371**. As such, it should have already been considered by the examiner.

This prior art is being placed on a form 1449 for the convenience of the examiner, so that the examiner can easily acknowledge having considered it.

Respectfully submitted,



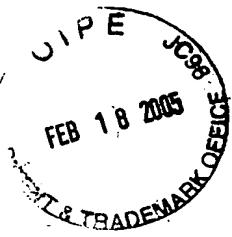
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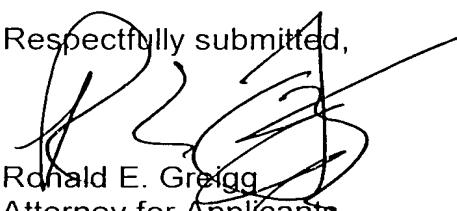
**REQUEST TO MAKE OF RECORD REFERENCES  
CITED IN INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT**

Sir:

As acknowledged by PCT/DO/EO/903, dated November 28, 2001, copies of the references listed on the International Search Report have been received by the USPTO. Therefore, it is requested that the Office make of record the references from the International Search Report as listed on the attached PTO 1449.

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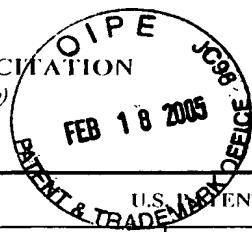
  
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